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9. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the differential housing surface is curved.

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11. (Amended) A product made by a process comprising the steps:
providing a differential housing surface;
providing a blank surface;
generating heat from at least one of these surfaces at their interface sufficient to weld the surfaces together; and
applying both surfaces together.

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19. (Amended) The product of claim 16 wherein the differential housing surface is curved.